









Friday Morning, Nov. 15, 1861.

**CALIFORNIA VOLUNTEERS.**—A company of volunteers, about 75 strong, came up on the steamship Pacific yesterday. Part of them are destined to relieve the United States force at present in occupation of San Juan Island, and the remainder will take up quarters at Strelacom. A romantic incident occurred during the trip. The captain of the volunteers, in calling over the roll the day after the boat left Portland, was astonished at finding an increase in the company of one, rank and file. On examination, the odd one turned out a non-effective—being in fact one of the gentler sex, who, smitten with the charms of some Adonis in the company, had donned the panoply of war in order to accompany her "bould soger boy." Of course, the susceptible Portland beauty had to undergo a change of toggery, and will be conveyed back in the steamer to her friends. Considering the boat only stopped one day at Portland, it was a clear case of *veni vidi vici* on the part of the volunteer, and shows what metal that body contains. On the whole, it is probably lucky that none of them were allowed ashore at Victoria, or we might perhaps have had to mourn the loss of some of our own fair ones—a loss which the city could ill afford.

**A NEST OF GAMBLERS.**—Yesterday evening, a little before dark, Sergeant McMillan, accompanied by officers Taylor, Blake and McDonald, made a forcible entry into a Chinese gambling house on the ravine back of Johnson street. The gamblers were in a large room on the first story, and a watch was placed at the door leading up stairs. The sentinel was seized by the police, but not before he contrived to give an alarm. When the officers broke into the room the lights were immediately put out and about thirty Chinamen commenced rushing, shouting and tearing about the premises. Four or five of them, supposed to be the bankers, effected their escape by leaping out of the window, about 18 feet from the ground. The remainder were overawed by the staves of the police and allowed themselves to be quietly handcuffed and conveyed to the jail in batches. Twenty four were locked up, and will be brought up for examination this morning. A quantity of counters and a little coin were also seized.

**THE STICKEEN RIVER.**—The discoverer of the diggings on this river is thought by some parties to have been murdered by the Indians. He is a French Canadian, commonly known by the name of Buck, and was to have come down by the steamer Labouchere on her last trip. No signs of his whereabouts could be ascertained at the place where he had promised to wait for the steamer. The specimens of gold that Buck brought to Fort Simpson, previous to his last departure for Stickeen, were of two sorts—one parcel being light scales, which he found on the bars of the river, and the other coarse gold, obtained some distance back from its banks. The upper part of the Stickeen River cannot be far from the head of Findlay's branch of Peace River, which is commonly known as the northern boundary of British Columbia, although the British Possessions extend north in that direction ad infinitum.

**THE COLUMBIA RIVER MINES.**—It is expected that when the soldiers withdraw from Colville, the American citizens there will leave. The majority of the settlers in the valley are old Hudson Bay Company men, French and half-breeds, who will remain. The prospectors who went into British Columbia to explore the head waters of the Columbia, have not yet returned. It is the opinion of those acquainted with the country that they will strike another Cariboo in that direction.

**PARTICULAR NOTICE TO JURORS.**—Chief Justice Cameron yesterday discharged the jurors first summoned for this term from further duty. The special jury of 21, summoned yesterday in the "conspiracy" case are alone retained for the remainder of the cases, and their services will not be required until Wednesday of next week, at ten o'clock, A. M.

**COURT OF ASSIZES.**—On the arrival of the steamer yesterday, Chief Justice Cameron kindly adjourned this court till to-day, in order to give business men an opportunity to transact their business. At 10 o'clock this morning, all the prisoners convicted up to the present time will be brought up for sentence.

**POLICE COURT.**—James Lawless was brought before Mr. Pemberton yesterday, charged by a Chinaman named Quong Sing with stealing blankets. The prisoner declared his innocence and was remanded until to-day.

**VICTORIA DISTRICT.**—There are 92 names on the Register as voters for the Victoria District, but owing to the absence of several of them from the Colony, the probable effective strength of the list may be set down at 80.

**THE STEAMER.**—The Pacific had a very fair freight for this place. She left at 10 o'clock last night for the Sound with Volunteers, and returning will leave Esquimalt for San Francisco at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**THE ELECTION.**—The nomination of members to represent Victoria District takes place this morning at the Colonial School Room. The *bona fide* candidates in the field are Dr. Trimble and Mr. J. W. Trutch.

**THE THEATRE.**—A man has been placed in charge of this institution. As no company arrived yesterday, we learn that the establishment will be closed in pursuance of instructions received from the owner.

**LEFT FOR NANAIMO.**—H. M. surveying ship Hecate, Capt. Richards, left the outer harbor yesterday morning for Nanaimo. From thence she will proceed to New Westminster.

**A GOOD CLAIM.**—An Oregonian named Brown yesterday sold his claim on Williams' Creek for the sum of \$15,000. Its size is one hundred feet square.

**RACE.**—A race for \$1000 aside, distance 600 yards, between Silvertail and a horse from Cayoosh, will take place at Beacon Hill, at 2 o'clock to-day.

**MR. WITHERS, Assistant-Paymaster of H. M. S. Topaze, died at the Naval Hospital on Wednesday.**

**THE "CONSPIRACY" CASE.**—The trial of this "great" case has been postponed till Wednesday next.

The number of prisoners at present found in board and lodging at the public expense is 33, including two lunatics and one debtor.

The steamer Otter left last night with passengers and freight for the river.

## European Intelligence.

**HALIFAX, Oct. 30.**  
The Europa, from Liverpool, via Queens-town, has arrived, with dates to Oct. 23d.

The Paris correspondent of the London Times writes that the discussion as to the common line of policy to be adopted by France and England on the American question has been reviewed. The subject was mooted before, but was postponed. Possibly the information sent over by Prince Napoleon may have contributed to induce France to listen to proposals which might be made in this respect by England.

The London Globe gives prominence to the following paragraph: We learn from an authentic source that a notification has been issued affecting the trade with the Southern States. It would appear from a letter of instructions issued by Mr. Messinger, from Richmond, on the 22d of August, that the Confederate Government authorized vessels coming to foreign countries to enter any port of the Southern coast, declaring that such ports shall be considered as a proper port of entry for such vessels, when the master or owner shall without delay dispatch a messenger to the nearest collection district, in order that a revenue officer may be sent by the Collector to take charge of the cargo.

A Conservative demonstration has taken place in Essex county. James, a member of Parliament, expatiated on the war in America and its effects on England. He argued in favor of the right of secession, and urged that the people of England should give such strong expression to their sentiments as would induce the Government to act in accordance therewith.

The London Times, in an editorial on the Day of Humiliation in America, says that all the turmoil of war will cause such a change in the morals of the community as can be desired, and that there is a faint glimmering of a run down. It adds that intelligent Americans are inclined to believe that the return of peace through war will give security against more secession in future, and will be the era of a better and more orderly Government in the Northern States generally.

News from Europe by the last steamer shows that the rebel emissaries in London and Paris were confident and noisy, and believes that necessities of the manufacturing interests will lead to an interference in the American contest for the purpose of breaking the blockade, to procure a supply of cotton. It is nevertheless evident that their cause is losing ground, both with the London people and press.

The London Post, (Palmerston's organ,) has a strong article against any interference, and exposes the fallacy of a notion that a recognition of the rebel States would reopen the cotton trade; it considers, on the contrary, that their recognition would only increase the vigor of the blockade, and that any interference would be an act of war.

The London Shipping Gazette continues to denounce the conduct of the blockade and the wrongs done to the British subjects, and says that some action on the part of the British Government is indispensable.

The London Times thinks it not unlikely that the moment that the drain of specie commences, the financial community will have its bill run. [?]

Count de Sager, a lineal descendant of Count Rochembeau of American revolutionary fame, has tendered his military services to the President, and been assured that he will be accepted. A similar answer has been given to the Baron de Schonen, a descendant of General Lafayette. It is expected they will soon reach the United States.

The steamship Jura, from Liverpool, 24th, via Londonderry, October 25th, arrived at Victoria Point at 4 o'clock this morning. She brings one day's later news.

Capt. Semmes, of the privateer Sumter reached Liverpool on the steamer Edinburgh.

A competition trial had taken place of rifled 32 pounder service guns of different inventions. The trial was brought to a close without any very satisfactory results. The Whitworth and Armstrong guns alone appear calculated to meet the requirements of the Navy.

It is expected that the bank of France would immediately adopt some new measure to meet the existing crisis.

The accouchment of the Empress of Austria was expected to take place at the commencement of February.

A Paris telegram dated October 25th says: The Monitor of to-day contains the following: A judicial investigation has established the fact that the congregation of ladies of

St. Unione, at Dove, [?] have voluntarily abetted the abduction of Jewish girls. The facts would have justified the Government in revoking the organization of St. Unione, but as it has confined itself to withholding the acknowledgment of its legal existence, this measure will remind religious congregations that neither their character, object nor rules, excuse them from obeying the laws of the country.

**NEW YORK, Nov. 5.**  
The steamship Persia, with dates to Sunday, October 27th, from Liverpool, has arrived. She brings nearly £62,000 in specie.

Russell's last letter to the London Times is dated October 10th. He says that persons of weight and influence were again urging on the President the necessity of an advance for political reasons.

The Liverpool Post says that Captain Simms, of the pirate Sumter, who arrived in Liverpool by the Edinburgh, shipped in New York as Captain Burmeister of the Oriol [?] Navy.

The London Shipping Gazette thinks that the defeat by the Confederates of the squadron blockading New Orleans will render it scarcely possible to maintain even a semblance of blockade at some of the principal Southern ports.

Paris papers announce that England, France and Spain had arrived at a complete understanding relative to Mexico. The Convention will be signed in eight days. The expedition will start at the beginning of November.

The French financial accounts are rather more satisfactory. The drain on the Bank of France had subsided. The Bourse advanced to 68f. 20c.

The Paris Siecle urges the adoption of measures to get cotton from America.

In London, Oct. 26th, consols were 93½ 93¼ for money.

## ADDRESS

To the Miners of British Columbia now in Victoria.

Miners of British Columbia: The Committee of the Royal Hospital earnestly ask you to remember your suffering fellow-men now inmates of that institution, who, having embarked on the same adventure for wealth as yourselves, have not been so successful.

The Institution on whose behalf we plead, is the first and as yet the only Public Hospital in the two colonies of British Columbia and Vancouver Island. It is the only asylum where the indigent sick, without distinction of creed or nationality, have found or can find relief.

During the three years of its existence, the Hospital has extended aid to a large number of miners from British Columbia; more than one-third of the whole number admitted having been of this class. Whenever the steamer has brought down from the river a man destitute and in need of Hospital care, its benefits have been freely imparted to him. There are still within its walls six British Columbians, some of whom are likely to remain there for a considerable time.

The Hospital is in debt, and unless materially aided, must soon contract the field of its exertions. The Committee earnestly hope that it may still be enabled to preserve its character of never closing its doors against those who truly need its help, whoever they may be, or wherever they may come from. The successful miners now in Victoria will, they confidently believe, sympathize with them in this desire, and aid them in its fulfilment. While enjoying the wealth they have obtained, they will not forget that by the most sacred laws, a portion belongs to the sick and the afflicted. Miners! it is by a benevolent use of your gains that you can prove your lot preferable to that of your less fortunate brethren who are languishing in the Hospital. Riches make to themselves wings and fly away. It is only what we heartily give that we can truly call our own. It is lent to him who, although he neglects, does not forget the sufferer, and who will repay with interest what is invested in deeds of love.

Donations will be thankfully received by the Bank of British North America, British Colonial Office, Wells, Fargo & Co., Press Office, McDonald & Co., Hibben & Carswell.

On behalf of the Committee.  
EDWARD CRIDGE,  
Hon. Sec.

Victoria, Nov. 12, 1861.

## MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

## PORT OF VICTORIA, V. I.

## ARRIVED.

Nov 14—Stmr Pacific, DeWolf, San Francisco

## CLEARED.

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Barquentine Constitution, Foster, Port Townsend

Schr Lalla Rookh, Cormick, Port Townsend

Schr Circus, Smith, Discovery Island

## PASSENGERS.

Per stmr PACIFIC, from San Francisco—

N Moore, W Wait, Rev Mr Reeves, wife child and servant, J Meltz and wife, Mons. Crozier and wife, M Turrell, J L Henley, wife and child, Miss Wright, Mr Hibben, J Laurence, H Potter, G Mills, V Lashon, O McGrath, J Withrow, J Dillon, J D Mott, Mr Young and wife, George Polly, G Spencer, H Wortz, C Derhon, Mrs Brennan, Mr Brown, J Harris, D Perry, Mr Brown, Miss Dickson, Mr Spencer, G Taylor, L H Cohn, A Barker, E Averill, S Watson, J Hoffman, P Dickson, C Morgan, Wells, Fargo & Co's Messenger.

## IMPORTS

Per stmr PACIFIC, from San Francisco—3 pgs

seagre 3 pgs brandy 1 pg pipes, Order; 1 pg shirts,

Meyers, 3 pgs hats and dry goods 1 do fancy

goods, Lash; 2 pgs opium, Ty Soon & Co; 25 do

soap 1 do buttons, Reid & McDonald; 2 do books

and desk, Jas Lowe; 50 do sugar, Southgate & Co;

6 do toys and accordeons, Lewis & Cahn; 1 do dry

goods and umbrellas, W Cohen; 1 pg shoes,

Promis; 1 pg glassware, W M Searby; 5 do hard-

ware, Cairn & Gracinal; 1 do clothing 3 do dry

goods, M Meyers; 3 do shoes 1 do mdre, Reinhardt;

1 do dry goods, K Cohen; 1 do boots 1 do leather

do shoes, 1 do hats and clothing 1 do pipes, Or-

der; 1 pg marble, Bell; 12 pgs dry goods 1 pgk

hats, N Moore & Co; 25 pgs sugar, Gladwin, Tar-

ball & Co; 5 do dry goods, A Hoffman; 3 do boots

and shoes, Mansell; 2 do acids and medicine, Cur-

tis & Moore; 1 do oil 1 do chloride lime, W Mor-

gan; 9 do candy 1 do tobacco, Hudson Bay Co;

25 pgs hardware, Drummond; 1 do melons 4 do

fish 2 do sausages 1 do clothing 2 do boots, 1

pgs, Kwong Lee & Co; 4 pgs leather, P M Dickson;

5 pgs stationery, Hibben & Carswell; 2 pgs plants

and shrubs, St. Ours; 2 pgs mdse, L Cahn; 6

bxs fruit, L Moray; 44 pgs mdre, J Duck & Co.

Per steamer PACIFIC, from Portland—2000

½ sxs flour, Hudson Bay Co; 50 bxs apples 7 sxs

butter 75 bxs apples, J J Southgate & Co; 300 q

sks flour 5 bbls butter 10 bxs apples, P O Dwyer;

3-6 q sxs flour 15 bxs apples, Edgar & Aime; 168

bxs apples 4 bbls elder 2 do butter, 2 sxs peas, 72

sks flour 80 do, Guild, David & Co; 25 bxs apples,

J A McAllister; 40 bbls butter 10 hf do 7 sxs (ard,

135 sxs flour, G Sutor & Co; 1 sxs mdse, M Mor-

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